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SUBJ: 59TH ECOSOC: ITEM NO. 11--ECONOMIC COMMITTEE, NATURAL RE-
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1. SOME 25 SPEAKERS TOOK PART IN THE DISCUSSION OF THIS ITEM. MOST WELCOMED THE PROGRESS MADE AT THE FOURTH CNR SESSION TOWARD ESTABLISHING A MORE EFFECTIVE WORK PROGRAM IN THIS FIELD. VARIOUS LDCS AND SOCIALIST COUNTRIES ALONG WITH CHINA STRESSED THE CONNECTION BETWEEN THE EXERCISE OF PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY AND THE EXPLOITATION OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE LDCS FOR THEIR OWN BENEFIT AND EXPOUNDED THEIR VIEWS ON PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY IN FAMILIAR TERMS. IN THIS CONNECTION, THE SPEAKERS UNDERLINED THE IMPORTANCE OF CNR RESOLUTION III ON THIS SUBJECT.

2. AMONG SPECIFIC POINTS MADE WERE THE FOLLOWING: (A) COORDINATION OF THE ACTIVITIES OF UN AGENCIES IN THE NATURAL RESOURCES
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FIELD IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT GIVEN OVERLAPPING WHICH EXISTS;

(B) PREPARATIONS FOR THE WATER CONFERENCE SHOULD BE ACTIVELY PURSUED--ARGENTINA VIGOROUSLY OPPOSED MERGER OF THE WATER AND DE-SERTIFICATION CONFERENCES; (C) GREATER EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO ASSURE ADEQUATE RESOURCES FOR THE REVOLVING FUND FOR NATURAL RESOURCES.

3. BRIEF STATEMENT BY US DEL WELCOMED THE BODY OF USEFUL WORK PRODUCED BY CNR FOURTH SESSION, PARTICULARLY IN RESPECT OF PROGRAM PLANNING, COORDINATION AND EVALUATION, BUT REITERATED RESERVATIONS AND OBJECTIONS TO CERTAIN CNR RESOLUTIONS, PARTICULARLY THAT CONCERNING PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY (REFTEL).DALE

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